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MEMORANDUM FOR: RAINBOW Security Officer

26 April 1957

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: Deputy Project Director

SUBJECT

: RAINBOW Clearances for USAF and USN Personnel

REFERENCE

: Memorandum from Deputy Project Director, dated

25 April 1957, SAPC-12844/R

1. Since the reference was prepared, I have had further discussions concerning the proposed widening of the circle of persons fully knowledgeable of RAINBOW. Although I believe that many of the clearances proposed by Colonel Nunziato and Captain Walker will ultimately have to be granted, I propose to try to delay the actual briefing of many of these individuals for as long as possible. As a first step in this direction I am going to try to have a brief conversation with General Putt at his earliest convenience.

2. Under the circumstances, I would appreciate if all such clearances could be channeled through me until further notice. I do not propose deliberately to hold up clearances as a means of limiting knowledge of RAINBOW but I do wish to attempt to reach an agreement with the Services on the timing of briefings before advising them that clearances have been granted. I would therefore appreciate receiving such notification from you as the clearances are confirmed. Under no circumstances should such notification be passed to Colonel Nunziato or Captain Walker except by or myself.

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